

IN THE CLAIMS:

The status of each claim that has been introduced in the above-referenced application is identified in the ensuing listing of the claims. This listing of the claims replaces all previously submitted claims listings.

1-30. (Canceled)

31. (Previously Presented) A semiconductor capacitor storage poly, comprising:
downwardly extending recesses; and
a plurality of contiguous mesas comprising a plurality of contiguous top surfaces forming a
maze-like structure.

32. (Previously Presented) The storage poly of claim 31, wherein the mesas extend in
the X, Y and Z coordinates.

33. (Previously Presented) A semiconductor capacitor storage poly, comprising:
downwardly extending recesses;
a plurality of contiguous webs comprising a plurality of contiguous top surfaces forming a maze-
like structure; and
hemispherical-grain polysilicon on at least some of the plurality of contiguous top surfaces.

34. (Previously Presented) The storage poly of claim 33, wherein the webs extend in
the X, Y and Z coordinates.

35. (Previously Presented) An intermediate semiconductor capacitor structure,
comprising:
a storage poly structure comprising a plurality of contiguous mesas with recesses therebetween;
a contiguous hemispherical-grain polysilicon layer on the storage poly structure and in contact
therewith; and

a mask over the hemispherical-grain polysilicon layer, the recesses being exposed through the contiguous hemispherical-grain polysilicon layer and the mask.

36. (Canceled)

37. (Previously Presented) An intermediate semiconductor memory cell structure, comprising:

a storage poly structure;

a plurality of contiguous low elevation regions of a hemispherical-grain polysilicon layer on the storage poly structure;

recesses formed in the storage poly structure and located laterally between the plurality of contiguous low elevation regions of the hemispherical-grain polysilicon layer; and dielectric material at least lining the recesses.

38. (Previously Presented) A semiconductor memory cell structure, comprising:
a storage poly structure;
regions of hemispherical-grain polysilicon on at least portions of an upper surface of the storage poly structure;

a plurality of recesses extending into the storage poly structure, at least some recesses of the plurality of recesses being located laterally between the regions of hemispherical-grain polysilicon and imparting the storage poly structure with a structure resembling a plurality of contiguous mesas; and

and a dielectric layer substantially coating an upper surface of the storage poly structure and substantially lining each of the plurality of recesses.

39. (Previously Presented) The semiconductor memory cell structure of claim 38, further comprising a cell poly structure over the dielectric layer.

40. (Previously Presented) The semiconductor memory cell structure of claim 38, wherein the regions of hemispherical-grain polysilicon have a web-like appearance.

41. (Previously Presented) The semiconductor memory cell structure of claim 38, wherein at least some of the plurality of recesses extend into the storage poly structure.

42. (Previously Presented) An intermediate semiconductor capacitor structure, comprising:
a storage poly structure;
a substantially confluent hemispherical-grain polysilicon layer on the storage poly structure; and
a mask positioned over the substantially confluent hemispherical-grain polysilicon layer, planarized portions of the hemispherical-grain polysilicon layer being exposed through the mask.

43. (Previously Presented) An intermediate semiconductor capacitor structure, comprising:
a storage poly structure including recesses therein;
remaining portions of a hemispherical-grain polysilicon layer having a web-like appearance and substantially overlying upper portions of the storage poly structure; and
a mask positioned over the hemispherical-grain polysilicon layer, laterally between the recesses, and substantially spaced apart from the storage poly structure by the remaining portions of the hemispherical-grain polysilicon layer, the recesses in the storage poly structure being exposed through the mask.

44. (Previously Presented) An intermediate semiconductor capacitor structure, comprising:
a storage poly structure with recesses therein;
a hemispherical-grain polysilicon layer having a web-like appearance on at least portions of the storage poly structure; and

dielectric material lining at least the recesses.

45. (Previously Presented) An intermediate semiconductor memory cell structure, comprising:
a storage poly structure with recesses therein;
low elevation regions of a hemispherical-grain polysilicon layer having a web-like appearance on
at least portions of the storage poly structure; and
dielectric material at least lining the recesses.